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Re:

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Examiner: T. Criares

For:

PLA₂ Inhibitors for Angiogenesis

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's office action of 11 August 1999 in the above noted application, please enter the following remarks and amendments into the record. Also enclosed herewith is a petition for a three (3) month extension of the shortened statutory period set by the Examiner and authorization to charge the required fee to the indicated deposit account.

In the Specification:

Page 12, line 32, please delete the word "a".

In the Claims:

Please amend the following claims:

Claim 1. (amended) A method of treating a chronic disease in a mammal in need thereof, which disease is characterized by excessive, undesired or inappropriate angiogenesis, with an effective amount of a compound which inhibits the production, translation or activity of 14 kDa PLA₂ and wherein the compounds were

invented after the priority date of March 26, 1996.

Claim 5 (amended) A method of treating a chronic disease in a mammal in need thereof, which disease is characterized by excessive, undesired or inappropriate

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